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## WINING AND DINING

Dr. Charles Downward grabbed the opportunity of dining "Snow" Lachal, ex-STC and ex-VRC secretary on his recent visit to Sydney for a wedding occasion.

Charles also took the opportunity of completing the party with well known STC identities David Ross and Noël Eglese.

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## BLUE WATER

Now a regular in Tattersall's is Peter Thomas born at Greenslopes, Qld., and C. of E. Brisbane Grammar.

From the age of 10, Peter has been a sailing "addict" and when with R.Q.Y.S. knew every ripple on the Brisbane River.

When he was 21, he transferred to Sydney and is a member of the C.Y.C.A.

In the textile trade he has had several trips overseas, and, naturally, he aspires to occasional yachting on the blue seas beyond our shores.

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## SAGE ADVICE

As Homer Jones transferred his books and equipment from his car, near Randwick racecourse, a character grabbed his bag and made off.

So into the void went Homer's "working tools" — but not his cash.

Homer did not make a dash at the marauder, but took his car number, (stolen car and false plate), and in his well known and modulated rails bookmaker voice, yelled "there's nothing in it!"

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## ALL BUTT

There was a Tattersall's Club atmosphere when the handball doubles final was played at Clovelly Surf Club.

Handball has had a strong association with surf life saving over the years.

The championships were first held last year with a trophy sponsored by a keen player, the 35-year-old Mayor of North Sydney and father of seven children (eldest eight years of age), Tattersall's member, Alderman Michael O'Dea, and son of our own Cecil.

Michael teamed with Ron Rogers, Australian Surf Belt champion whose father Norm was winging his way back from the Commonwealth games after seeing another son, Neil, collect his gold medal for winning the 100 yards butterfly.

Also included in the contestants were Bruce Galea, Ken Glass, Ray Hopkins and Bill Yewdall, whilst Frank Roberts, representing Sydney's "Ten Best Dressed" kept a keen and disciplinary eye in his natty shorts.

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## MANOEUVRES

Sydney Hospital was holding its 129th Annual Meeting covering 185 years of service.

Honoured guests were the Right Honourable the ~~Lord Mayor of Sydney~~, Alderman Nicholas Shehadie, O.B.E., and the Lady Mayoress. As a doctor, she is the first medico to hold the exalted position of Lady Mayoress.

And where was the medical student as she sat to get her final — nowhere else but Sydney Hospital!

So it was that Tattersall's member Nick in his address disclosed that he conducted his courting under rather severe conditions with Sydney Hospital being his greatest rival.

He put his large audience in great glee as he said "today I had pleasure in coming in the front door for a change".

## TUTOR WANTED

Clive Milliken and Richard Horne are valiant in their efforts, but week after week at billiards and snooker they are consistently tossed by "Digger" Lobb and Norman Jacobs, and receive the same treatment in their jousts with Norm Rogers and Arthur O'Connor.

So we hear that in the Saturday issue of a leading daily, shortly will appear "Wanted — tutor for pair of up and coming billiards players — apply — sad and sorry".

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## FIRE

Committeeman John Hickey purchased a mini bike for his 18 months old son.

This naturally entailed John in a thorough work out, with much bending, sweat, and balancing.

In the midst of his trying efforts, came screams from his wife.

"Now what have I done," said John to himself, "the boy has no chance of falling off — it's me she wants" — and he let the screaming persist.

It was John himself who was wanted.

It was the small matter of the house being on fire — fire brigade job and all.

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## NO USE CRYING

There was much hilarity between Jim Baker, Ray Walsh and David Dransfield when at Tattersall's Christmas doings they shared the winning of a gallon bottle of Scotch whisky — one of those nicely esconced on a rocker.

They agreed to leave the valuable adjunct as an ornament in Jim Baker's bar at his home — where a visit to his place would be a good excuse.

But it was not to be.

Jim's young baby heir was not content with the new set up, and sent the gallon bottle, (full, it was), over the floor to break and spill over the carpet.

Now Ray and Dave are extra good mates of Jim, and the penalty has not yet been decided.

With the aroma still persisting, Jim says all he now does is go behind the bar, pour a glass of water, and he has a ready made Scotch and water on hand.



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## ALOHA

We were pleased to receive the following letter from Len Cope who is now firmly entrenched in Honolulu.

"I came across the following item which may be of interest to the older members of Tattersall's who remember the swimming duels of the late Duke Kahamamoku and Norman Ross in the early part of this century.

It reads, "Origin of the Hawaiian Crawl".

Almost 23 years ago, the editor of what was then "The Forecast", published the following article in the magazine:

"David Kahamamoku told the writer that in 1910, Duke had watched the Australians do their crawl stroke. Trying it out holding onto a surf board, he and Frank Kalani practised this kick. The kick required in that crawl tired Duke and he tried a slightly bent leg kick. This was it; speed never before seen was demonstrated when he broke all known records with this kick and accompanying arm stroke. It was new and revolutionary, but was soon copied by racing swimmers all over the world".

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## SAMMY THE BARD

Sammy Block, prince of hand ballers, racing man, veteran solo player and Tattersall's Club ancient, is also a poet.

Dig this:

**Out in the Wild West Yukon  
In a great big gambling den  
Stood a boy with a risky solo —  
Ace King Queen Jack Ten.**

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## CAJOLERY

The Black Hole of Calcutta was named as an historic incident much before our time.

It was the punishment cell of the barracks in Fort William, Calcutta, India.

One night in 1756, the Suraj Ud

Daula imprisoned 146 Europeans and only 23 survived until the morning.

"So what!" you may well ask and little dream that we are leading up to this year's annual billiards and snooker handicap tournaments for which entries close on 29th April next.

A Calcutta is to be conducted which closes on 17th May; it will be drawn on 20th May; and the Calcutta Auction will be on 3rd June.

### And what is it?

It is a famous auction pool that originated in Calcutta; an auction pool in which each contestant is sold at a fixed price but at a handicap established by bidding in an auction.

If there are any queries as to what the Black Hole, or "on the black" has to do with the tournaments, you are advised to consult with Tom Powell, Norman Jacobs or Arthur Miller.

But this we do have to emphasise:—

**There is a complaint that there are insufficient entrants each year from the younger age group.**

We are assured that daily, and weekly, young players on our tables have a reservoir teeming with talent, but for some reason which we cannot fathom, they just don't participate in the tourneys.

These contests are not just for the "oldies" interspersed here and there with younger cueists.

Here is your chance, act now, and get your entry in — you've got to be in it to win it.

May 1974 will be the billiards and snooker year of the "youngies".

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## ELECTED

Well known Rotary identity and Club member John Moon, was recently elected to Ku-ring-gai Municipal Council as an Alderman.

The occasion was a by-election for Wahroonga Ward and John polled a large primary vote of 1863 out of 4245 votes cast.

He won after distribution of second preferences.

Noticed helping on the polling booths were Tom Kennedy, Des Ryan, Norm David, Stan Davis and John Byrne.

It seems that it was quite a club effort and congratulations go out to John on his election.



## LICKED

Airline chief, Don Shand, received a letter from Herman Bliss, U.S. Federal Aviation Administration.

Just for a lark, (we are talking about airways), Herman covered the letter with stamps, so much so, if he had put any more on, he would have had to leave out the address.

But Herman's arithmetic was wrong — he was a few cents short.

So the envelope was marked "NOT Airmail — insufficient postage paid". And it came surface mail. If it had been urgent, Don would have been pretty steamed up about it and the stamps unstuck.

But it contained snaps taken by Herman on a recent visit to Don's Woodville property near Armidale. And the well covered stamped envelope now becomes one of Don's historic pieces.

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## DOCTOR HONOURED

The Queen, as Sovereign Head of the Order, has admitted Dr. Myer Glick as Serving Brother of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem (S.B.-St. J.) in recognition of his services to the Association.

Myer has been a member of the Association for 16 years and is an examiner of first aid classes.

The ancient Order of St. John of

## CLUB NEWS & VIEWS

Jerusalem was originally an international Confraternity for the relief of Crusaders.

After the Order was expelled by Napoleon from Malta in 1798, the Grand Priory of the Order was reconstituted in England. A Royal Charter was granted in 1888.

The Sovereign, or a senior member of the Royal Family, has been the Grand Prior since that date — at present the Grand Prior is H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester.

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## BLACK JACK

The venue for the recent meeting of the National Executive of the Australian Hotels' Association, was, of all places, Hobart, and the headquarters were the Wrest Point Hotel.

Glad were the casino boys to see Tattersall's members, Barry McInerney, A.H.A. President, Colin Walker, National Secretary, Ronald McDonald, State Secretary, and National and State Treasurer, Ted Wales.

"Strange as it may seem," said Ted, "though the croupiers rubbed their hands with glee as we made a combined onslaught, it was our party that won".

"Was it 'two up' we asked?"  
"No," said Ted, "Black Jack and roulette".

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## BON SANTE

Round the festive board there gathered Tom Powell, Les Tidmarsh, Bill Black, Ray Morson, Jack O'Neill and Dr. Harry Tyer.

It was a reunion of a group of "sickies" now rehabilitated, and the many toasts of "Good Health" meant more than the convivial social term.

Thrust aside for ever were such aids as walking sticks and slings and now present in booming health were truly grateful cronies.

And may the exuberant and exhilarating atmosphere of their get-together be repeated for many years to come.

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## COME IN THREES

Three brothers, James, Robert and Tim, sons of J.H. Cooper, OBE, were recently admitted together to Tattersall's membership.

And awaiting interview by the Committee and sitting together in an adjoining room were Phillip Green, Mark McCauley and Roy Page. Unbeknown to each other, they soon discovered themselves — they each had been educated at the same time at the same school.



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## LAL BOWDEN

Tattersall's Club has many ties, both personal and official, with Newcastle. One was severed with the passing of Lal Bowden, and Club life will be the poorer as his was a personality loved by all.

Lal's father was a foundation member of Newcastle Tattersall's and Lal followed in his footsteps as President for 12 years and a life member. Lal joined our Club in 1930 and was a senior member.

His genial companionship made him a host of friends, and his intense love of racing and cricket gave him many hours of enjoyment.

He played sport as a true sportsman and his innings of life was one of which we are all proud.

To his sorrowing relatives, our sincere condolences.

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## VALE

## DAVE BROWN

The legendary Dave Brown, one of Rugby League's greats, passed away at the age of 60.

Dave earned himself the title of "The Don Bradman of Rugby League", with his mighty scoring feats with Eastern Suburbs in the 1930's.

Bald from the age of 18, when a rare illness robbed him of all body hair, Dave on the playing field always wore thin leather headgear which became his trademark.

A gifted long striding centre, he was blessed with uncanny anticipation, a quality which brought him many of his tries.

His flood of tries and goals for Easts and Australia made him an outstanding figure.

As a 20-year-old in 1933, he created a Kangaroo tour record of 285 points comprising 19 tries and 114 goals, a feat which has never been beaten.

In the 1935 season, in just 14 games he scored 244 points, including 45 points (five tries and 15 goals) in Easts' 87 to seven victory over Canterbury-Bankstown.

Dave became Australia's youngest captain in 1936 when aged 23.

In recent years he had put long hours back into the code, coaching, assisting and encouraging school boys and juniors.

Dave was also a good judge of a horse, was a member of the AJC and had a host of friends in the racing fraternity.

A kind, generous and gentle soul, his funeral brought together an immense concourse of sportsmen, including today's champions and those of yesteryear.

To his bereaved widow and relatives we extend our sincere condolences.

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**H.M. BOUCHER  
and R.A. HOWES**

H.M. (Laddie) Boucher, of Boorowa, aged 82, senior member, and Roy Howes, founder of Howes and Howes, also aged 82, two grand old supporters of the Club, passed away during the month and will be sadly missed by all members, city and country.

## TATTERSALL'S

### FOOD & WINE SOCIETY

**INAUGURAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE SPORTSMAN'S ROOM AT 6.15 P.M. ON MONDAY 22ND APRIL, 1974**

The formation of this Society is an opportunity for Members to meet fellow Members. In a Club like "Tattersall's" a Member should at all times be able to enter the Club and be known to fellow Members.

Societies like the Bowling, Golf, Billiards and Snooker, Swimming, Handball and Ski Clubs enable Members to fraternise together and become known to one another. The nature of, or the time at which they meet, may not be available to all Members but, however, everyone has to eat and drink and here is an opportunity to learn about what you eat and drink in a convivial atmosphere and subsequently to promote mixed gatherings.

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# NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Members will be held in the Club Room on Wednesday, 12th June, 1974 at 8 o'clock p.m.

## BUSINESS

- (a) To confirm Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Members held 13th June, 1973
- (b) To adopt the Annual Report, Profit and Loss Account, Balance Sheet and accompanying Statements for the year ended 28th February, 1974.
- (c) To elect a Chairman.  
Mr. G.A. Eastment retires in accordance with the Rules and being eligible offers himself for re-election.
- (d) To elect a Treasurer.  
Mr. H.L.J. Fay retires in accordance with the Rules, and being eligible offers himself for re-election.
- (e) To elect eight Members to serve on the Committee for one year.  
Messrs. J.V. Comans, J.L. Hickey, G.J.C. Moore, A.R. McCamley, P.W. McGrath, J.R. McKell, J.P. O'Neill and L.I. Tidmarsh are retiring members of the Committee, all of whom are eligible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly.
- (f) To elect an Auditor or Auditors.  
Messrs. Fell and Starkey retire and offer themselves for re-election.
- (g) To transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting in accordance with the Rules of the Club.

N.B.—Nominations for the office of Chairman, Treasurer or Member of the Committee, signed by two Members and with the written consent of the Nominee endorsed thereon, must be handed to the Secretary by 5 p.m. on 15th May, 1974.

Nomination for Auditors must be lodged not later than 12 noon, 27th May, 1974.

J.R. THOMSON,  
Secretary.



## OBITUARIES

D.M. Brown: Elected 27.4.65 – Died 23.2.74

Samuel Emanuel: Elected 24.5.26 – Died 22.2.74

R.H. Taffs: Elected 27.10.69 – Died 8.3.74

H.M. Boucher: Elected 12.3.28 – Died 16.3.74

R.A. Howes: Elected 27.1.53 – Died 14.3.74

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NEWS & VIEWS

## SUCCINCT

EDGAR BRITT is popular lecturer-in-chief of the lady jockeys . . . JOHN ARMSTRONG, (our man in London) had his residence under close watch by the police, following the discovery of a 30lb bomb in the basement of a neighbouring house . . . Walgett Shire President, Brian Crowley, son of AJC Chairman Sir BRIAN CROWLEY reported to have lost 4,000 fully fleeced sheep in the disastrous floods . . . GEORGE RYDER, deputy chairman of the STC came in for frequent references during the flood appeal telethon as "Sir George Ryder" – what is that saying about "coming events?" . . . NORM ROGERS states son Neil has swum in every country in the world, except Russia (yet to come), and says there is not another pool to equal that in Christchurch, NZ . . . BRUCE TOPHAM and Honey, testing their skiing skills in the Austrian Alps . . . NEVILLE O'NEILL showered his well known hospitality on all his friends to celebrate the arrival of grand daughter Carolyn Patricia Delaney – another gem . . . PETER HOLOHAN offered to do a streak through Randwick Paddock if Mistyville won the Apollo Stakes – it won – crowds lined up to see Peter sadly disappointed – chicken: Popular liquid purveyor on the first floor, SHIRLEY, ardent Balmain R.L. fan, heard that Greg Rogers, Australian swimming champion, was to play with the Tigers and exclaimed "I hope it rains every Saturday – we'll be certainties" . . . Glad to see Sir LESLIE HOOKER round and about following a sudden sojourn in the Mater . . . Likewise Dr JIM TAYLOR was also in the Mater but has now resumed his frequent visits to the Club . . . CLAUDE BRELAZ celebrated his 80th birthday (looks 60) with a convivial gathering of friends – and they toasted Claude's many relatives in France – "bon sante" they said, and said . . . and much later they still said and said . . . In 1937 first surf "nipper" then eventual Australian surf champion and Tattersall's Native Son

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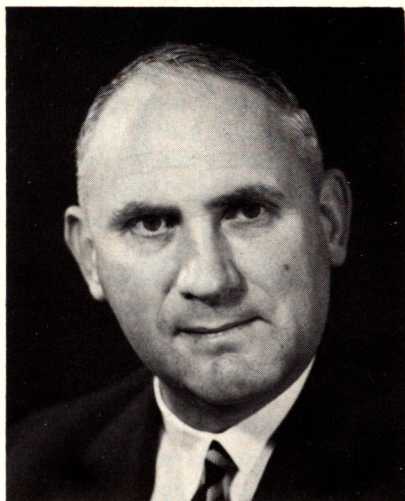
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# PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH

## GORDON FRASER



The imposing record of Gordon Fraser in the prevention of crime as head of Qantas' security service teems with interest and many of the cases which he has unravelled are almost akin to fiction.

Gordon is Chairman, International Relations Committee, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Chairman of Security Advisory Committee of International Air Transport Association, Chairman, Association of International Airline Security Officials and Member, International Narcotic Officers' Association.

Gordon Fraser was born in Perthshire, Scotland, in 1919, and migrated to Toowoomba, Qld., with his family in 1930 where he attended Toowoomba Grammar.

The family moved to Sydney in 1934 and Gordon transferred to North Sydney High.

Under a newly instituted cadet system, and at the age of 17, Gordon joined the N.S.W. police to serve mainly as a detective in the Sydney area.

In 1948, when he was handling all airline investigations, Gordon received an appointment to organise and control the internal security department of Qantas.

It was co-incidental that Tattersall's Club member Sir Cedric Turner,

### SUCCINCT - Continued

winner, JOHN CUNNINGHAM, has thrown his gauntlet into the political arena... One of the best known and respected identities in the West, and especially Orange, MAX FOULDS will be off soon with his wife on a six months leisurely jaunt overseas... JACK BARRETT, prominent amongst big NSW contingent at the Perth Interdominion Trotting meeting: also up at Orange for the Carnival of Cups meeting... FUZZ PORTER strutting high when nephew Dave with 18-footer KB won the title of "Cock o' The Harbour"... BRIAN NAGLE christened his home swimming pool with appropriate honours... NELSON DICKSON in hospital, says only for a short sprint... BILL LONGWORTH states that if there were less rickety chairs when one is putting in a new electric globe, there would be fewer sprained ankles.

the Assistant General Manager of Qantas, should make the selection.

Twenty-two years later in his book, "Wings To The World", Sir Hudson Fysh wrote: "Gordon Fraser proved a good choice, for he is still head of the greatly expanded security service... His understanding and human approach... the man with the most sensational secrets in his keeping, was the guiding force behind the successful working of Qantas' Security Branch".

Gordon has been in charge of security arrangements for all Qantas Royal Flights, and many other VIP trips, travelling ahead during the past quarter of a century.

It is considered unethical to discuss any episodes of these trips unless already published.

In this category, favourite memories include the kind nature of Her Majesty the Queen Mother who remained cheerfully with her 1049 Constellation through four days of monsoonal rain at Mauritius in 1958.

Then there was the Princess who rendered delightful ditties in the aircraft aisle of a catchy tune advertising a certain jelly.

And a Prince's observation when flying over the Barossa Valley that he better appreciated the quality of grapes after they were in a bottle.

Most recent Royal Visit job for Gordon was accompanying the Boeing 707 flight carrying Her Majesty the Queen from, and back to, London for the opening of the Sydney Opera House.

Tattersall's Club member John Armstrong, as Australia's High Commissioner in London, officially welcomed the Queen on her return, and there Gordon brought John up to date with the latest Club news.

Gordon is recognised as a world authority in the field of police and security organisation and was commissioned to write a text book, primarily for police academic use, titled "Modern Transportation And International Crime".

Text books are sometimes described as "dry as dust", but Gordon's book is a joy to read, and one is not content until he has revelled in every chapter. The FBI series on TV could not be more intriguing.

The author discussed many cases of prominence, and disclosed little known or publicised incidents and "trade secrets" which made entrancing reading.

Gordon also wrote of different types of international crime, such as smuggling of narcotics, international diamond thefts, airline ticket racketeering, sabotage of aircraft, counterfeiting and other aspects.

Gordon believes in keeping the name of Tattersall's to the fore, and takes pleasure in entertaining visiting law enforcement dignitaries - in our dining room.

For some 30 years, Gordon was a weekly regular with the late Rom Romano and Phillip Palmisano.

Gordon's sporting activities in early life included a "blue" for soccer, prizes for shot-putting and rowing. He describes himself as fair at all sports, but good at none!

Later interests included family tennis on his court at home, and early morning golf on adjacent Killara Golf Course.

Gordon is a member of the A.J.C. and S.T.C. He has had several interests in horses, best known being Miss Gaul, an A.J.C. Stakes winner which he raced in partnership with member Hugh Gage.

Gordon is married (his wife the keenest of gardeners) and has two sons, of whom you would almost expect their avocations to be - an airline pilot and an Arts/Law student. How right you are.



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## BOWLING NOTES

On Tuesday, 5th March, 20 members joined the President on their trip to play Newcastle Tattersall's at the Lowlands Club.

The weather smiled on the party — a fine day sandwiched into a week of almost continuous rain. We were met by President Jack Freeman who welcomed us to a lunch prior to the game.

It was like old times to be pitted against our old friends from the north, for our visits to Newcastle of late have been few and far between. It was pleasing to again see Harold McGlynn and Eric Smith and many old friends.

Two of our rinks won by the odd short, while a third tied, but we were given a lesson on the remaining four rinks and were beaten 132 to 104.

Trophies were won by Homer Jones, Horrie Abbott and Lou Malouf.

The President thanked the chauffeurs who made their cars available — Homer Jones, Bunny Saw, Bill Hetherington, Horrie Abbott and Norm Schroeder.

Back in Sydney, Jupiter Pluvius has made frequent appearances and two of our weekly games have been washed out. The Committee decided that in spite of this, we were very fortunate.

For the past five weeks members have forgone their weekly trophies, and, as a result, the Club has been able to post a cheque to the Flood Relief Fund in northern N.S.W.

For some years Reg Bartley has organised a Golden Slipper Bowls Day to coincide with the race of the same name. This year it was held at City Club on Tuesday, 12th March, and was



*Fred Empson (Publicity Officer)  
and Barney Fay (Club Treasurer)  
at Rose Bay*



*Nick Solomon and "Flicka"  
Williams at Rose Bay*

sponsored by the Sydney Turf Club.

Unfortunately, after uncertain weather early in the day, rain washed out the games after only five ends had been played — the only games played or replayed were those back in the Club house.

However, the dismal weather failed to mar the enjoyment of the day. At lunch 112 players were welcomed by Charles Warner (City Club President) and Sir Clyde Kennedy (Sydney Turf Club Chairman).

Looking around it could be seen that Tattersall's Bowling Club was well represented: Fuzz Porter (Doctors), Nick Solomon (Solicitors), Harold Hill (Bookmakers), Keith Manion (Punters), Len Plasto (Owners), Bunny Saw and Ted Forrest (Aged geldings), Homer Jones, Peter McGrath, Lou Malouf (Tattersall's) who were down to play City Tattersall's while Fred Empson added a little weight to the contingent.

Due to the absence of Sir William McKell, who was teamed with three other Knights (including Sir Emmett McDermott and captained by Sir Clyde Kennedy), it was left to Tattersall's Harold McKay to fill the vacancy and share the limelight even if only a Knight for a day.

Members were pleased to see two prodigal sons return home to the Club after lengthy absences — Sir Emmett McDermott and Tim Anderson.

Tim has been missing for so long that only a few members knew who he was. We hope to see more of them both now.

A hearty welcome from all to new member Eric Crittenden who can look forward to enjoyable Thursday afternoons.



Roy Clifford and wife Jess, on a Pacific cruise called in at San Francisco. Roy was intrigued at some of the names carried by the local race horses.

He quoted: "NO PROPERTY TAX", "TURN TO THE MOUNTAIN", and "GARY PAUL HOFFMAN".

But the king one was "BREAK A LEG". Can you imagine, writes Roy, the Randwick crowd screaming for him in the last furlong of Tattersall's Cup and favourite at 5/2.

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Sir John and Lady Austin have a handsome yearling colt which has been registered as EGO. It is a good piece of naming because the colt was sired by VAIN and was produced by Lady Austin's brilliant race filly CADEAU.

EGO is a magnificent individual and is nominated for the yearling class at next Easter Show and this is a tip — that he will take the blue ribbon.

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Last year we wrote the story of Nowell Jones buying Judgement Day for \$14,000 with the idea of winning the Melbourne Cup.

He gave the horse every chance by leaving him in New Zealand to mature for more than a year after he was sold as a yearling.

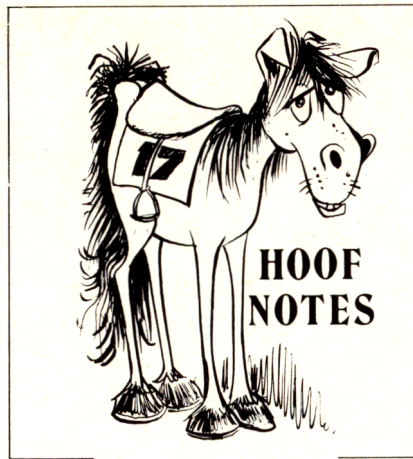
Judgement Day (Alcimedea — Cuddlesome) is a five-year-old half brother to Light Fingers, winner of the 1965 Melbourne Cup, but did not properly settle down and has had few race starts.

Nowell decided to sever his ties with Judgement Day and wanted to be assured that he got a good home. So it is that Ted McCabe has become the horse's legal owner with the payment of a \$10 note.

And that is how Judgement Day, once the pride and joy of Nowell and Margaret Jones, is now exercising freely on Prince's Farm, the Castle-reagh property that Ted manages for Sir John and Lady Austin.

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During the 1974 Golden Slipper Festival, most attractive programmes were provided, and we have extracted the following as a matter of interest —



an epitomised history of Rosehill Racecourse:—

### HISTORY OF ROSEHILL RACECOURSE

In the year 1791, several grants of farm lands, around 30 acres, were given to convicts whose sentences had expired and to seamen and marines who wished to remain in the Colony of New South Wales.

Among these was a grant given to a former convict, Christopher Magee (alias Charles Williams), of a parcel of land extending along the southern banks of the Parramatta River, including a good deal of what is now Rosehill Racecourse.

In 1793 Ensign William Cummings, of the N.S.W. Corps, purchased Magee's land and added it to his own grant. All of these holdings became part of John Macarthur's Estate in later years.

Macarthur's first grant was given to him in 1793, and on it he built Elizabeth Farm House, which today is the oldest standing house in Australia. By further grant and purchase he increased his holding to 850 acres, including the whole of the area now occupied by Rosehill Racecourse.

It was on this property that Macarthur began his experiments in breeding Merino sheep, experiments which led to the development of an industry which brought wealth to Australia.

The whole of the area has enormous national significance, since it is true that Macarthur's experiments, which commenced on these grounds in the 1790's and were continued both here and at Camden Park, had, by the

1820's produced the finest Merino fleece in the Colony.

Pasture improvements were carried out for his prize flocks of Merino sheep and his red Devon cattle. Macarthur was interested in very good horses, and prized a "high-bred stallion of Arab blood".

Elizabeth Farm House was surrounded, in the early days, by a beautiful garden and well-stocked vegetable garden. Macarthur's crops were raised along the banks of the Parramatta River, whilst his orchard and vineyard stood on the rise where the suburb of Rosehill is located. Enormous old ironbark and stringybark trees — for which this district was famous — were a feature of the property, and a few are still standing in the racecourse enclosures.

In 1852, three acres of Macarthur's holdings were leased to Silas Sheather for the establishment of a nursery garden. This was part of Christopher Magee's original grant. Sheather experimented in the growing of camellias and his skill in the raising of new varieties made him famous. The name "Camellia", for the railway station at the northern end of the racecourse is derived from this old nursery garden. The members' gate is always referred to as the Camellia Entrance.

In 1883 the whole of the estate of Elizabeth Farm was sub-divided and sold. A catalogue of the sale, described the estate in the lyrical language of the time:

"Nature herself, at all times lavish in her gifts, has here bestowed with royal hand some of her richest charms. The whole neighbourhood simply abounds in rural delights and walks, and drives of much beauty extend themselves on all sides, while from many parts of the property panoramic views of hill and dale, of wooded clump and mossy glade delight the eye".

With the sale of the property an era of our history closed, and much of nature's richest charms were lost to industrial development.

Fortunately, however, an area of 140 acres was purchased by John Bennett and the work of laying out Rosehill Racecourse was begun in 1883. The completed cost was £17,000. The first race meeting was held on 18th April, 1885.

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While most Tattersall's members were relaxing on our "sundrenched" beaches, several dedicated skiers gave up their Christmas holidays to attend an extended summer ski school and scenic seminar.

Members of the long course assembled at Mascot on January 3rd and received their opening address at the Reef Hotel in Honolulu.

Those attending the short course and some New Year casualties, delayed their departure until the fourth, and passed straight on to Los Angeles for their registration.

Both groups met on the dawn flight to Grand Junction, where they continued by bus through driving snow to deep in the Rocky Mountains. The snow was fantastic and while some tackled the deep powder, others were perfecting their techniques on the immaculately groomed slopes under the patient care of Helmut Steinocker.

The most advanced ignored the set trials and followed Tony Sponar down the Virgin Slopes through snow-capped pines and deep powder snow.

Evening classes were held at the Crystal Palace or one of the other fantastic restaurants that have made Aspen one of the finest ski resorts on earth.

While the apres skiers voted Aspen No. 1, the purists gave their vote to Vail as the greatest.

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# SWIMMING NOTES

by SAM BLOCK

## DENIS WILSON TURNED ON THE HEAT — AND HOW! DEBONAIR VIC ZAPPIA HOLDS LEAD IN NATIVE SON AND BILL COATS TO VICTORY IN MONTHLY

The Club Pool record went by the board when Denis Wilson won a heat in the remarkable time of 17.2 seconds.

As mentioned in our last issue, the record was held jointly by Jon Hendricks, Garry Chapman and John Devitt at 17.3 seconds, all Australian champions over the short distance.

Bill Butchart took the honours in the February-March Point Score with a total of 29 points from newcomer John McInerney with John Nicholas in third place.

Bill has struck a purple patch of form such as most swimmers strike periodically, but has paid the penalty with a reduced handicap and is going to find it a difficult job to win from now on.

The contest for the Native Son Trophy has rarely been as interesting as it is this year, as with four months to go, there are at least 20 men with excellent chances of annexing the coveted trophy.

Usually at this stage the field of possibles is fined down to five or six at the outside, but only 26 points between the first 16 allowing for a good months result, can put any of them on top.

Vic Zappia still retains his place at the head of the field, though during the month Club Champion Russell Debney had forged to the front, but

Vic came back with bulldog tenacity and again tops the poll.

Russell Debney is in rare form with three wins during the month, scoring a total of 24½ points, and is in second place, followed by Bill Butchart.

Garry Furlong is holding his ground in fourth place, whilst John Reid has gained a few points to put Russell in fifth place, a half point ahead of Ken Finn.

Scott Terrey, our youngest member, threshed over the 40 yards winning his heat in the fast time of 18.7 seconds and taking out the final from a hot trio comprising Denis Wilson, Bill Butchart and John Ward in 19.3 seconds.

A big welcome was extended to John Devitt on his initial appearance after his return from London.

John showed that he is still a force to be reckoned with, despite the extra girth round the middle, by earning a dead heat in his final of a Brace Relay partnered by David Dind.

Terry Forrest can't strike form. He is on a handicap which in previous years, would have made races a gift for him, but he has only raced into two finals and these were in Brace Relays this season.

If there are any members who would like to race, but think that it's too late to start, they might think again, for the Swimming Club will race

right into July.

Noticed that our star swimmers, Neil Rogers, Brad Cooper and Graham Windeatt, are members of Surf Life Saving Clubs, and it is not because of any thoughts of "pots" to be won, but mainly on account of the realisation on their part that the gifts with which nature has provided them can be used in the protection of the public.

Best winning times were credited to D. Wilson 17.2 and 17.5, S. Terry 18.7 and 19.3, R. Debney 18.9, M. McCormack 20 and 20.5, B. Mortenson 20, D. Barnett 20.6, I. Ross 20.8 and J. Nicholas 21 seconds.

### RESULTS

**19th February, 80 yards brace relay, 1st final:** S. Heaton and A. Ball (51) 1, B. Butchart and P. Geddes (52) 2, V. Zappia and J. Brice (52) 3, time 47 secs. **2nd final:** W. Rowe and J. McInerney (52) 1, D. Bruce and R. Debney (54) and J. Ward and P. Moses (48) dead heat second, time 47.6 secs. **3rd final:** D. Jackson and M. McCormack (51) and D. Dind and J. Devitt (49) dead heat first, M. Sernack and W. Orme (51) 3, time 48.5 and 46.5 secs.

**26th February, 40 yards handicap, 1st final:** B. Butchart (23) 1, B. Cox (22) 2, J. McInerney (24), 3, time 22.8 secs. **2nd final:** D. Whitehead (23) 1, B. Mortenson (20) 2, T. Salier (22) 3, time 22.1 secs. **3rd final:** W. Tyler (32) 1, A. Ball (23) 2, J. Langsworth (29) 3, time 31 secs. **4th final:** B. Wall (30) 1, R. Debney (20) 2, D. Barnett (21) 3, time 28.5 secs.

**5th March, 80 yards brace relay, 1st final:** J. McClean and B. Cox (50) 1, D. Jackson and I. Ross (52) 2, P. Wakefield and G. Furlong (45) 3, time 47.5 secs. **2nd final:** C. Coppa and J. Nicholas (55) 1, C. Carpenter and J. Ward 46 and J. Langsworth and N. Rogers (50) dead heat second, time 52 secs. **3rd final:** W. Rowe and D. Wilson (46) 1, M. O'Dea and P. King (46) 2, T. Salier and R. Debney (41) 3, time 43.2 secs.

**12th March, 40 yards handicap, 1st final:** I. Ross (22) 1, V. Zappia (27) 2, G. Salier (23) 3, time 20.8 secs. **2nd final:** J. Nicholas (22) 1, J. McInerney (23) 2, P. Twigg (28) 3, time 21 secs. **3rd final:** S. Terrey (21) 1, B. Butchart (23) 2, J. Ward (24) 3, time 19.3 secs. **4th final:** M. O'Dea (25) and M. McCormack (21) dead heat first, J. Reid (23) 3, time 24 and 20 secs.

**February-March Point Score:** B. Butchart 29, J. McInerney 27, J. Nicholas 25, R. Debney and I. Ross 24½, D. Wilson and J. Ward 24, M. McCormack 23½, A. Ball and W. Rose 23.

**Native Son Trophy.** All points to and undividing 14th March: V. Zappia 106½, R. Debney 104, B. Butchart 103½, P. King 94, M. McCormack 86, C. Bowes 85½, A. McLelland 85½, M. Rogers 84½, G. Salier 83½, I. Ross 83½, W. Orme 82, N. Heath 81, D. Dind 80½.

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